IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE V.RAMKUMAR

MONDAY, THE 4TH DECEMBER 2006 / 13TH AGRAHAYANA 1928

Bail Appl..No. 7063 of 2006()

CRIME NO. 433/06 OF ERNAKULAM TOWN SOUTH POLICE STATION

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PETITIONER/ACCUSED

DR.RAMESH CHANDRA SWAIN,
AGED 54 YEARS, S/O.KSHETHRA BASI SWAIN,
ADHANGAT, SINGALO VILLAGE,
BHAGABANPUR POST, KANDRAPRA,
ORISSA.

BY ADV. SRI.V.A.NAVAS

RESPONDENTS: COMPLAINANT

STATE OF KERALA,
REP. BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT OF KERALA, ERNAKULAM.

BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR SRI. P.N. SUKUMARAN

THIS BAIL APPLICATION HAVING COME FOR ADMISSION ON 30-11-2006 THE COURT ON 4-12-2006 PASSED THE FOLLOWING:

V. RAMKUMAR, J.

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B.A. NO. 7063 of 2006

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Dated, this the 4th day of December 2006

ORDER

The first accused in Crime No. 433/06 of Ernakulam Town South Police Station for offences punishable under Sections 406, 420, 468, 471, 472, 479, 120 B read with Sec. 34 I.P.C., seeks his enlargement on bail. He was arrested on 15-10-2006.

2. The learned Public Prosecutor opposed the application.

3. The case of the prosecution is that the accused persons who belong to Orissa had duped around 13 banks including the complainant namely State Bank of India, Kochi to the tune of more than one crore by producing 128 forged credit cards, forged identity cards, salary certificates etc. The first accused had opened an office in Poonithura Village and was travelling in a car with revolving red beacon light and posing himself to be a high official in the Ministry of Health, Government of India. They were found in possession of bank seals and other forged seals of Director General of Medical Education and Training, Ministry of Health, New Delhi, Deputy Director of Central Health Education and Training Research Development Unit , Chief Inspector General, Central Health Education and Training

Research Development Unit, Cochin, Office of CMOCHERT, Bangalore. The records already seized by the police reveal that the accused persons acting under a perfect understanding had committed similar offences in Baroda and other parts of Gujarat and Delhi. The Investigating Agency is probing into the ramifications of the racket. At this stage of investigation, if the petitioner is released on bail , he will definitely flee from justice. The addresses given by the accused to various banks and other institutions were false. The actual address and identity of the culprits are yet to be verified by the investigating agency from places such as Orissa, Gujrat and Delhi. Such being the position, I am not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner.

This bail application is, accordingly, dismissed.

V. RAMKUMAR,
(JUDGE)

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